GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF BY PASSES AND BRIDGES
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the current status of construction work of by-passes and bridges on the East-West corridor including Kota by-pass in Rajasthan alongwith the amount spent therein;

(b) the details of remaining work and amount to be spent thereon;

(c) the reasons for delay in the completion; and

(d) the time by which these works are likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI K. H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b) Most of the bypasses and bridges being constructed under the East West Corridor project are being constructed as part of various civil work construction packages, which includes roads also. Being part of civil construction package, separate costs for such works are not being indicated. Details of bypasses and major bridges under construction in the East West Corridor are enclosed as Annex.
Kota bypass also includes construction of a Cable Stayed Bridge over river Chambal, which has been taken up as a separate package. The estimated cost of the project is Rs 340 crore. The physical progress in this project is 18% and the expenditure incurred till now is Rs 78.6 crore. Delay has occurred in the project mainly because work could commence in full swing only after final forest clearance from Ministry of Environment and Forest.

(c) & (d) Work has been delayed in the East West Corridor due to problems associated with land acquisition, shifting of utilities, delay in obtaining clearances for cutting of trees, and adverse law and order problems etc. The East West corridor stretches are likely to be substantially completed by December 2009.